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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY
AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is a Response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 1, 2004, as well as a Preliminary Amendment. A Petition for a five-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(5) is submitted concurrently herewith in a separate paper to extend the time for response from January 1, 2005 to June 1, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the amendments and remarks presented herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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